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THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION

1. The East German Ministry for Health figures in the Economic Plan as Allottee (Kontingenttraeger)[1] Nr. 7,800. At the same time, the Ministry is a "Plan Bearer" (Plantraeger), that is, it is responsible for the planning and the distribution to other allottees of all medical and pharmaceutical products, with the exception of veterinary products, which fall under the Ministry for Agriculture and Forestry (Allottee Nr. 7,100).

2. One of the allottees served by the Ministry for Health is Kontingenttraeger Nr. 88,000. This allottee is listed in the allottees register for 1953 as "Various Customers" (Verschiedene Verbraucher), a designation designed to camouflage the true character of this allottee. Kontingenttraeger 8,800 is the Buero fuer Wirtschaftsfragen (BfW). It has become known from allotment orders issued by the State Secretariat for Material Procurement[2] to the Ministry for Health that the BfW is allotted its medical and pharmaceutical products under Nr. 88,000 for further distribution to the following services:

a) Chef der Sanitaetsverwaltung, Berlin W 8, Glinkastrasse
b) Hauptverwaltung der deutschen Volkspolizei, Berlin W 8, Glinkastrasse
c) Hauptverwaltung der deutschen Grenzpolizei, Berlin-Pankow 1
d) Hauptverwaltung der deutschen Seepolizei, Berlin-Wilhelmsruh
e) Hauptverwaltung der deutschen Flugpolizei, Berlin-Johannisthal
f) Hauptverwaltung Ausbildung der Kasernierten Volkspolizei, Berlin-Adlershof.

In most allocations to Kontingenttraeger 88,000 part of the allotment was ordered to go to the State Reserve. Allotments for the State Reserve were either to stay in the producing plant until disposed of by the Government or were to be transferred to DHZ Pharmazie und Krankenhausbedarf. It is not known whether State Reserve is an independent position under Kontingenttraeger 88,000 or whether it is one of the positions under the BfW, as the services a) through f) mentioned above.

3. The Ministry for Health was informed by the State Secretariat for Material Procurement that Allottee 88,000 was to receive in 1953 a number of items which are in short supply in East Germany and which must be made available in due time. In April 1953 Allotment Form No. 1721/3, signed by Hauptreferent Bachert of Hauptabteilung Planung der Warenzirkulation (Main Department for

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Planning the Circulation of Goods of the State Secretariat for Material Procurement requested the following 1953 allotments to allottee 38,000:

a) X-Ray apparatus for 1,320,000 DML - of this amount, 300,000 DML for the State Reserve

b) Penicillin: 42 million International Units State Reserve: none

c) Streptomycin: 125 kilograms State Reserve: 30 kilograms

d) Salicylic acid DAB 6:3 4 tons State Reserve: none

e) Phenacetin: 150 kilograms State Reserve: 20 kilograms

f) Caffein: 300 kilograms State Reserve: none

None of the above mentioned allotments had been made to allottee 38,000 as of late April 1953.

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1. [redacted] Comment: Literal translation, quota bearer.

2. [redacted] Comment: Now the State Administration for Material Procurement.

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3. [redacted] Comment: DAB 6 means sixth edition of Deutsches Aerztebuch, which gives official specifications for medical items concerning their purity, etc.

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